

**DECISION NOTICE**  
**TUCKER CROSSING FISHING ACCESS SITE**  
**RIVER BANK STABILIZATION**  
**MARCH 31, 1997**

**PROPOSAL**

Over the course of the last several years the Bitterroot River has migrated west in the vicinity of the Tucker Crossing Fishing Access Site (FAS). This has resulted in the loss of some stream bank in the FAS. To slow the erosion of the site, a project has been proposed, and Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared on the project and it has been available for public comment from February 19 through March 28.


This project will stabilize a short section (less than 100 feet) of river bank using two or three large rootwad and rock revetments. If left to erode, the river will eventually damage or destroy the disabled sidewalk, the boat ramp and reduce the size of the parking area. The rootwads will be placed to gently direct the force of the flow away from the unstable bank.

**ISSUES IDENTIFIED THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

No major impacts are known to occur if the project proceeds as planned. A few minor issues were identified in the EA such as a temporary increase in noise during construction and decreased sedimentation to the river.

**SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comments were received on this project. Therefore, based upon the findings of the EA, it is my decision to approve this project as planned.

  
Dennis Workman  
Fisheries Manager

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